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## European Business Unit (EBU) Year-End Information

There is some confusion in the acquisition community surrounding an OMB directive, dated October 4, 2002, concerning "Business Rules for Intragovernmental Transactions". In that memorandum it suggests there would be an electronic portal that all intragovernmental transactions would flow through. The memo states, "For intragovernmental orders that are not routed through the portal, the cut-off date for issuing new intragovernmental orders for the current fiscal year will be midnight on September 25<sup>th</sup> of that year". Per OMB, that portal is not currently available. The September 30<sup>th</sup> date therefore applies.

A link to this OMB memorandum can be found on our website at: <a href="http://www.r6.gsa.gov/FTS/index.html">http://www.r6.gsa.gov/FTS/index.html</a> and select Downloads

The European Business Unit cutoff date for MIPR acceptance is midnight Central Standard Time on September 30, 2003.

#### A BONA FIDE NEED MUST ACCOMPANY YOUR REQUIREMENTS.

From Saturday, September 27th through Monday, September 29th there will be a representative available to assist with all of your year-end needs from 0730 hrs Central European Time until 1700 hrs Central Standard Time in Kansas City, Missouri.

Tuesday, September 30th, the European offices will be available until 2400 hrs Central European Time, and the Kansas City office will be available until 2400 hrs Central Standard Time.

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